

We experience conditions here that most municipalities have not accepted. It is ridiculous. I think we should have more, we should have a higher opinion of ourselves than those particular conditions indicate. Those hearing rooms, the Judiciary Committee, Banking Committee, Urban Affairs Committee, Miscellaneous Subjects Committee, all those, the two hearing rooms where those committees sit, Government Committee, may be projects that would be the subject of this particular Capitol renovation fund. You all may have other ideas of things that need to be done. All these things can be considered and at least we can make some beginning on these different kinds of projects. There are a number of other points that I would like to make, Mr. President, but I think at this point in time I will stop and speak later. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to ask Senator Beutler a question. Did you have a handout on this, Senator? The top of it says "Legislative Council".

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR HIGGINS: That is yours?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I wasn't sure it was your initials. Last week we were debating various appropriations bills. What you are talking about would not take a special appropriations bill. It would just...

SENATOR BEUTLER: No.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Where does the money come from?

SENATOR BEUTLER: The money comes from the unused funds that the Legislature did not use this year, that we will not use this year. It is estimated that that amount will be around \$700,000. So we will simply take that money and instead of lapsing it into the general fund, simply lapse it back into the Legislative Council.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Well, I can...thank you, Senator. I can certainly understand your feelings about the senators on the